# Deferral Service (Extension of Commencement of Service), Version 17

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Customers with an executed Transmission Service Agreement may choose to postpone commencement of transmission service. This Business Practice describes the requirements and process for deferring transmission service.

Version 17 includes the following changes to align with the Partial Long-Term Service, Version 8 updates:

#### Section A:

- Step 15: Removes the "no earlier than 13 calendar days from the Date of Tender<sup>1</sup>..." language to allow Transmission Services to change the TSR<sup>2</sup>'s status upon the return of a signed exhibit
- Step 16: Updated to reflect that if a TSR is preconfirmed the status will automatically update from ACCEPTED to CONFIRMED
- Step 17: Added "If the TSR is not preconfirmed, the customer will have 15 Calendar days to CONFIRM the TSR." and changed "two business days" to "15 calendar days".

#### A. General Criteria

- 1. The Customer<sup>3</sup> must have an executed Long-Term Firm (LTF) Point-to-Point (PTP) Transmission Service Agreement.
  - a. A Redirect Reservation having the same term as the Parent Reservation<sup>4</sup> can be deferred if service on the Parent Reservation has not commenced.
- 2. The Customer can obtain up to five deferrals for LTF PTP Transmission Service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The day that the Customer receives an offer for transmission service from Transmission Services. If that day is a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the Date of Tender is the next Business Day.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Transmission Service Request

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Any customer taking service under Use of Facilities (UFT), Formula Power Transmission (FPT), Integration of Resources (IR), Part II or Part III of the OATT.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>A Confirmed TSR from which service is being deferred, redirected, or renewed.

- 3. Each CONFIRMED Deferral Request will count against the limit of five deferrals, regardless of duration, except when all of the following conditions are met, in which case multiple CONFIRMED deferral requests of all or part of the Parent Reservation may be counted as a single deferral:
  - a. The deferral requests are submitted on the same calendar day.
  - b. The Related Ref field of the Deferral Transmission Service Requests (TSRs) each specify the same Parent Reservation.
- 4. If a Parent Reservation has been OASIS Transferred to a single party or multiple parties prior to Deferral, each Assignee<sup>2</sup> retains the remaining Deferral rights for its Transferred portion of the Parent Reservation.
- 5. Each time a deferral occurs, the end date of the Service Agreement will be extended so that the original duration of service does not change, except when the Effective Date of the Service Agreement is prior to August 16, 2005.
- 6. A Customer may request a deferral for all or part of a year if the Service Commencement Date (SCD) of the original Service Agreement is August 16, 2005 or after. If the SCD is prior to August 16, 2005, then all deferrals must be in one year increments.
- 7. If the deferral would result in shorter service duration due to a Reservation Priority restriction in the Service Agreement, the deferral is not permitted.
- 8. The Customer shall pay the Reservation Fee set forth in BPA's rate schedules in effect at the time the Deferral Request is submitted on OASIS<sup>3</sup>.
  - a. A non-refundable reservation fee equal to the charge for one-month of Transmission Service is required for the Extension of Commencement of Service TSR that extends the Service Commencement Date of the CONFIRMED TSR.
  - b. The non-refundable reservation fee for Extension of Commencement of Service must be received by BPA Transmission Services within 30 calendar days of the Service Commencement Date of the TSR being deferred. If the 30th calendar day is on a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, the non-refundable reservation fee is due no later than the following Business Day<sup>4</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A request submitted over the OASIS to defer transmission service under OATT section 17.7. <sup>2</sup>An Eligible Customer with an executed Point-to-Point (PTP) Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) that receives PTP Transmission Service rights and obligations from a Reseller either through a Resale or an OASIS Transfer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Open Access Same-Time Information System

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Any weekday (Monday through Friday) that is not a United States Federal Holiday.

c. If payment is not received within the timeframe set forth above, its Deferral Request will be DECLINED or, if the request has been confirmed, unilaterally ANNULED by Transmission Services.

### Electronic Transfer

For instructions on paying the Reservation Fee by electronic transfer to BPA, either through FedWire or Automated Clearing House (ACH), contact BPA's Cash & Treasury Management, Accounts Receivable at (503)230-3574 or view the brochure and application for electronic payments at www.bpa.gov/corporate/business/how\_to\_pay.

- When using FedWire, after "OBI=" include the words "Non-Refundable Reservation Fee."
- When using the ACH type of electronic transfer, include the date, amount and the ACH trace number, if available.
- When using the ACH type of electronic transfer, include the words "Non-Refundable Reservation Fee" in the memo field on the transfer.
- 9. In limited circumstances, paper checks will be acceptable if a customer demonstrates they are unable to pay electronically. Contact your Account Executive for instructions.
- 10. A Customer may elect to defer the Service Commencement Date for any portion of its Reserved Capacity. However, only that part of the Reserved Capacity that was previously deferred may be deferred in subsequent deferrals.
- 11. Once a Long-Term TSR is split into multiple Long-Term TSRs (for example, through multiple partial deferrals), BPA Transmission Services does not allow the TSRs to be recombined into a single Long-Term TSR.
- 12. A Customer may delay its Service Commencement Date either:
  - a. By submitting a Deferral Request over the OASIS at least 60 calendar days prior to the start date and time of the Parent Reservation.
  - b. At the time the Customer confirms the Parent Reservation over the OASIS if such date and time of the Deferral Request is less than 60 calendar days prior to the start date and time in the Parent Reservation.
- 13. The Deferral Request must include the following:
  - a. The Customer Code of the Parent Reservation must be identical to the Customer Code entered on the Deferral Request.
  - b. Request Type must be Deferral.

- c. Point of Receipt<sup>1</sup> (POR<sup>2</sup>)/Point of Delivery<sup>3</sup> (POD<sup>4</sup>) and Source<sup>5</sup>/Sink<sup>6</sup> must be identical to the Parent Reservation.
- d. MW capacity requested in the Deferral Request must be less than or equal to the MW capacity in the Parent Reservation.
- e. Stop date and time must be moved in tandem with the start date and time.
- f. The Related Ref field of the Deferral Request must be filled with the Assignment Reference (A-ref) of the Parent Reservation.
- 14. BPA Transmission Services will tender the Customer an unexecuted exhibit within 30 calendar days after the date of ATC<sup>7</sup> Authorization of the Deferral Request.
- 15. The Customer shall have 15 calendar days from the date of tender of the unexecuted exhibit to sign and return the exhibit to BPA Transmission Services.
- 16. Upon receipt of a signed exhibit from the Customer, BPA Transmission Services will change the OASIS status of the Deferral TSR to ACCEPTED
- 17. If the TSR is preconfimed, the status will automatically update from ACCEPTED to CONFIRMED.
- 18. If the TSR is not preconfirmed, the customer will have 15 Calendar days to CONFIRM the TSR. If the Customer fails to place the TSR in CONFIRMED status within 15 Calendar Days after the Deferral Request has been ACCEPTED, BPA Transmission Services will place the TSR in RETRACTED status and the TSR will receive no further consideration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Point of Receipt is an interconnection on the Transmission Provider's Transmission System where capacity and energy will be made available by the Delivering Party; An OASIS field on a TSR that is the scheduling POR.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Point of Deliver (POD) is a point on the The Transmission Provider's Transmission System where capacity and energy transmitted by the Provider will be made availabe to the Receiving Part; An OASIS field on a TSR that is the scheduling POD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Point of Delivery is a point on the The Transmission Provider's Transmission System where capacity and energy transmitted by the Provider will be made availabe to the Receiving Part; An OASIS field on a TSR that is the scheduling POD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>An OASIS field on a TSR that is the contractual POR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>An OASIS field on a TSR that is the contractual POD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Available Transfer Capability

- 19. The Parent Reservation will remain unchanged.
- 20. If the Customer gives the Deferral Request an OASIS status of CONFIRMED within two Business Days after the deferral request has been ACCEPTED, the exhibit is deemed binding and executed and BPA Transmission Services will:
  - a. DISPLACE the Parent Reservation.
  - b. Send an executed exhibit to the Customer within five Business Days.
  - c. Begin the competition procedure described in Secttion B below.
- 21. Failure by the Customer to sign and return the exhibit to BPA Transmission Services within 15 calendar days from receipt of the exhibit will result in the following:
  - a. BPA Transmission Services will give the Deferral Request an OASIS status of DECLINED.
  - b. The Deferral Request will receive no further consideration.
  - c. The Parent Reservation will remain unchanged.

## **B.** Competition Procedures

- 1. Deferral Requests will be competed in queue order.
- 2. The Customer's queue time is the date/time of the Customer's first Deferral Request.
- 3. Each subsequent Deferral Request will not receive a new queue time and will not affect the order of competition.
- 4. If multiple Deferral Requests have identical queue times, the multiple Deferral Requests will be competed in order of their TSR number.
- 5. The Available Transfer Capability (ATC) that is eligible for competition due to the Deferral Request will be offered to Competing Requests when all or part of the Competing Request<sup>1</sup> can be satisfied only by releasing all or part of the Customer's Reserved Capacity.
- 6. Eligible ATC that becomes available as a result of a Deferral Request will be competed and must be resolved under Section 17.7 of the OATT prior to competition under the provisions of Section 2.2 of the OATT as outlined in BPA Transmission Services' Reservation Priority Business Practice.
- 7. Once a Deferral Request is given an OASIS status of CONFIRMED, BPA Transmission Services will determine whether a Competing Request is present in its OASIS Queue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A TSR in OASIS with the earliest queue-time that meets the Deferral or Renewal Competition criteria.

- 8. Deferral Competitions involving 2008 PTSAs
  - a. 2008 PTSAs as Defenders
    - i. Transmission Services will initiate a competition with a 2008 PTSA as the Defender when all of the following conditions are met:
      - The 2008 PTSA is the next deferral in Transmission Service's deferral queue to be competed as a Defender;
      - The Challenger<sup>2</sup> is the highest-queued request that would be enabled, in full or in part, by a release of the Defender's capacity, in full or in part;
      - The Challenger's requested start date is earlier than the Defender's deferred start date;
      - The Challenger does not have a PTSA;
      - The Challenger is an original request for service;
      - The capacity of the Challenger must equal or exceed the amount of capacity the Defender must release to enable the Challenger; and
      - If the term of the Defender is five years or more, the term of the Challenger must be a minimum of five years. If the term of the Defender is less than five years, the term of the Challenger must equal or exceed the term of the Defender.
    - ii. If the conditions in 8.a.1, above, are met, Transmission Services will conduct the competition pursuant to the competition procedures set forth in this Business Practice. Transmission Services conducts deferral competitions sequentially in queue order.
    - iii. If these conditions are not met, Transmission Services will evaluate the next queued deferral for competition pursuant to this Business Practice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>1) A customer who has submitted a Deferral Request to delay its Service Commencement Date for transmission services or a customer who has submitted a Renewal Request to exercise its OATT Section 2.2 Reservation Priority Rights for transmission service. 2) A pending request or conditional reservation with lower reservation priority that can be displaced, in whole or part, by a Challenger through Preemption. The Defender may have a Right of First Refusal in certain situations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A preconfirmed request with higher reservation priority that can displace, in whole or part, a Defender through Preemption.

- b. 2008 PTSAs as Challengers
  - i. Customers with 2008 PTSAs are eligible to compete as Challengers in deferral competitions, except where the Defender is also a 2008 PTSA.
  - ii. If a Customer with a 2008 PTSA and SA is identified as a Challenger for ATC that is eligible for competition due to a Deferral Request, the Customer's PTSA and SA serves as the Contingent Exhibit<sup>1</sup> for purposes of this Business Practice.
  - iii. Transmission Services will offer the Challenger a new SA to include a provision stating that the Challenger cannot request deferrals for that SA.
  - iv. The Challenger must take both of the following actions within 15 calendar days from receipt of the new SA offered by Transmission Services:
    - Sign and return the new SA to BPA Transmission Services.
    - Submit a Competition<sup>2</sup> Request over OASIS.
  - v. If the Challenger fails to take either of the actions described in Step 8.b.iv, the Challenger's Competing Request will remain in the OASIS queue and will not be considered for any future competitions.
- 9. If no Challenger is found in the OASIS Queue, the Deferral Request will remain CONFIRMED and BPA Transmission Services will continue to evaluate subsequent LTF TSRs for potential Challengers.
- 10. If a Challenger is found in the OASIS Queue, BPA Transmission Services will:
  - a. Send a set of unsigned Deferral Tables to the Customer (Defender) that describes the full range of possibilities that exists as a result of the competition.
  - b. Tender an unexecuted Contingent Exhibit to the Challenger.
- 11. The Challenger's request will be given an OASIS status of DECLINED and receive no further consideration if the Challenger fails to:
  - a. Execute and return the Contingent Exhibit to BPA Transmission Services within 15 calendar days from receipt of the Contingent Exhibit offered by BPA Transmission Services.
  - b. Submit a Competition Request within 15 calendar days from receipt of the Contingent Exhibit offered by BPA Transmission Services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An exhibit to the Challenger's Service Agreement that obligates the Challenger to accept all of the transmission services offered under that exhibit if the Defender releases capacity. <sup>2</sup>Preemption of a conditional reservation where the Defender has the Right of First Refusal.

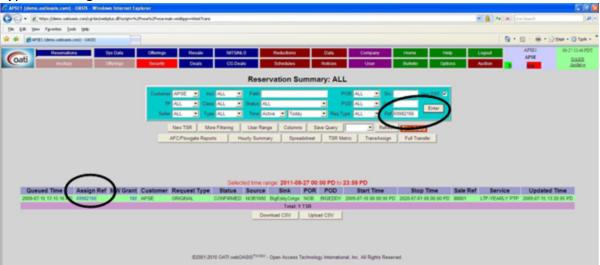
- 12. If the Challenger meets the requirements, BPA Transmission Services will notify the Defender of the outcome of the challenge and set the Defender's competition flag in OASIS to yes.
- 13. The Defender will be given 30 calendar days after receipt of the Deferral Table(s) to execute and return the appropriate deferral table(s) to BPA Transmission Services to take one of the following actions:
  - a. Commence service for the entire MW capacity of the Parent Reservation concurrent with the start date and time of the Challenger's request.
  - b. Release all or part of its capacity (the portion it would have to release to enable the Contingent Exhibit) to the Challenger.
  - c. Submit a new Preconfirmed Matching Request identical to the service offered in the Deferral Table that the Defender elected to execute, that includes a Related Ref of the CONFIRMED Deferral Request and a Deal Ref of the Parent Reservation.
- 14. If the Defender responds within the specified timeframe, BPA Transmission Services will:
  - a. Give the Defender's Matching Request an OASIS status of ACCEPTED/CONFIRMED.
  - b. Execute the Defender's Deferral Table(s).
  - c. Change OASIS status of the Parent Deferral to DISPLACED.
- 15. If the Defender released all or part of its capacity to the Challenger, BPA Transmission Services will give the Challenger's Competition Request<sup>1</sup> an OASIS status of ACCEPTED/CONFIRMED and execute the Challenger's Contingent Exhibit.
- 16. If the Defender fails to respond within the specified timeframe, BPA Transmission Services will:
  - a. Recall the needed capacity from the Deferral Request, if not all capacity is needed, or change the OASIS status of the Deferral Request to DISPLACED, if the capacity is needed.
  - b. Give the Challenger's competition request an OASIS status of ACCEPTED/CONFIRMED.
  - c. Execute the Contingent Exhibit with the Challenger.
  - d. Modify the Defender's executed exhibit to decrement the Reserved Capacity by an amount equal to that allocated to the Challenger's Contingent Exhibit.
- 17. BPA Transmission Services will send authenticated exhibits, Contingent Exhibits, and/or notices to the Defender and Challenger within five calendar days.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A Preconfirmed Original Request identical to the service offered int he Contingent Exhibit with a Deal Ref of the Challenger's Request.

- 18. If the Defender with an Existing Exhibit accepts the option described in Step 7, BPA Transmission Services will include a provision in the Existing Exhibit stating that the Defender can no longer request deferrals for that portion of the Reserved Capacity offered in the Contingent Exhibit.
- 19. BPA Transmission Services will include a provision in the Challenger's Contingent Exhibit stating that the Challenger cannot request deferrals for that contract.

#### C. TSR Deferral Procedure

- 1. Contact the Reservation Desk at 360-418-8499 to defer a CF6, IR or GF type TSR and request activation of the Yearly Product. Continue after Yearly Product is activated.
- 2. Log in to webOASIS.
- 3. Type the Assign Ref of the TSR in the Ref field and click the Enter button.



- 4. Click the Assign Ref number to open the Transmission Reservation Detail.
- 5. Click the Create New TSR button to open the Reservation Entry Form

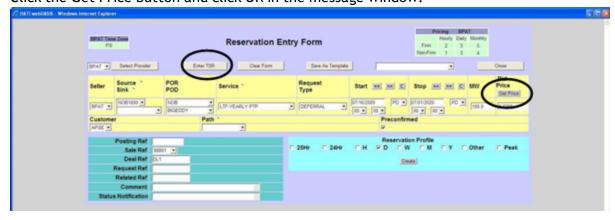


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An exhibit to the Service Agreement that describes the Long-Term Firm TSR which the customer may exercise its OATT Section 2.2 Reservation Priority Rights or Section 17.7 Extension of Commencement of Service Rights.

- 6. Update the following fields:
  - a. Do not change the Source Sink or POR POD.
  - b. Service = Same as parent TSR
  - c. Request Type = DEFERRAL
  - d. Start and Stop = Move Stop date/time in tandem with Start date/time
  - e. MW = Partial MW deferral requires MW change. Use MW amount to be deferred. Amount deferred can not be greater than original demand.
  - f. Sale Ref<sup>1</sup> = Five-digit contract number
  - g. Related Ref = Parent TSR Related Ref



7. Click the Get Price button and click OK in the message window.



8. Click the Enter TSR button to open the TSR Entry Submission Page.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An OASIS field on a TSR. This number is an existing Customer's NT, PTP, or grandfathered Service Agreement number.

- 9. Review changes for accuracy and submit or edit as needed.
  - a. If changes are correct, click the Submit button
  - b. If an edit is needed or an error occurs:
    - i. Click the Back button and correct.
    - ii. Click the Enter TSR button when correction is complete.

#### D. Additional Information

## **Policy Reference**

• OATT: Section 17.7

#### **Related Business Practices**

- New Customer Application Process
- Partial Long-Term Firm Service
- Requesting Transmission Service
- Scheduling Transmission Service

## **Version History**

Version 17	09/18/2014 Version 17 includes the following changes to align with the Partial Long-Term Service, Version 8 updates: Section A: • Step 15: Removes the "no earlier than 13 calendar days from the Date of Tender" language to allow Transmission Services to change the TSR's status upon the return of a signed exhibit • Step 16: Updated to reflect that if a TSR is preconfirmed the status will automatically update from ACCEPTED to CONFIRMED • Step 17: Added "If the TSR is not preconfirmed, the customer will have 15 Calendar days to CONFIRM the TSR." and changed "two business days" to "15 calendar days".
Version 16	05/19/2014 Version 16 deletes the receipt of paper checks as payment in Step A.8.c and in the chart in Section A. Step A.9 has been added to allow paper checks in limited circumstances. Receipt of electronic payments instructions and process remain the same. In step A.14 "from receipt" has been replaced with "after the date of ATC Authorization" and "receipt" with "date of tender" for clarity.
Version 15	12/13/13 Version 15 has been updated to provide clarification on a Reservation Fee and update terminology. Specific changes to this Business Practice includes:

## Section A • Step A.8: Updated step to clarify that a Customer shall pay the Reservation Fee set forth in BPA's rate schedules in effect at the time the Deferral Request is submitted on OASIS. • Step A.8.b: The word "original" has been removed to clarify the nonrefundable reservation fee requirements for a Customer deferring their Service Commencement Date. • Step A.10.b: Replaced "authenticated" with "executed" and "process" with "procedure described in Section B below.". Section B Step B.4: Deleted "a Deferral Request is split into" and replaced "(for example, through multiple partial deferrals) with "with "have". Version 14 08/30/13 Section A.1.a. of Version 14 clarifies that a Redirect going through the end of the term of the Parent Reservation can be deferred consistent with the Deferral Business Practice as long as the Parent Reservation has not commenced service. Version 13 05/03/13 Version 13 adds a new step A.8.d which provides that if a Customer requesting deferral of service does not submit the reservation fee within the required timeframe, its pending deferral request will be DECLINED or, if the request has been confirmed, unilaterally ANNULED by Transmission Services. Version 12 10/22/12 Version 12 incorporates revisions to section B - Competition Procedures, step 8, to describe the deferral competition procedures for NOS 2008 PTSAs. Version 11 03/06/12 Version 11 updates the address for submitting a check and changes "wire transfer" to "electronic transfer" in step A.8.c. Version 10 11/9/11 Version 10 added section C on TSR Deferral Procedures. Version 9 09/14/11 Version 9 has modified section A.8.b of General Criteria to allow payment of the nonrefundable reservation fee on the following Business Day if the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday of Federal Holiday and deleted A.8.c under the Check row the requirement of checks being sent via overnight delivery. Version 8 11/08/10 Version 8 has added the address to send the non-refundable reservation fee for Extension of Commencement of Service. This address is in section 3.8.3. Version 7 09/12/08 Transmission Services has added Extension of Commencement of Service to the Deferral Service Business Practice title and moved the Reservation Fee information from the Application Process for Transmission Service, Version 7 Business Practice into this Business Practice. Version 6 9/12/08, V6 The following revisions have been made: Section 2 • Added definition for Transfer Section 3 • Steps 3.2.1 - 3.2.2 & 3.8 - Added criteria for the counting of split Deferral Requests.

	Section 4 • Steps 4.1- 4.1.3- Added new procedure for the order in which Deferral Requests are competed. • As a result of Customer comments received, Steps 3.2.2 and 3.8 have been modified. See the Customer comments document posted on the Business Practices web page.
Version 5	3/18/08, V5 The following revisions have been made: • Incorporated CBPI Bulletin 25: Deferrals for Long-Term Firm Point-to-Point Customers The following sections and/or steps of this Business Practice were revised to incorporate the new process described in the CBPI Bulletins referenced above: Section 2 • Added five new definitions: (1) Challenger (2) Challenger's Competition Request; (3) Defender; (4) Deferral Request; and (5) Parent Reservation. • Deleted two definitions: (1) Long-Term Request Queue; and (2) Qualifying Request <sup>1</sup> . • Step 2.3- Incorporated new requirements for Competing Request. Section 3 • Step 3.2 • Deleted existing Step 3.2 and replaced it with Steps 3.8 and 3.9.6 to incorporate new requirements for requesting a delay in the Service Commencement Date and additional information to be included with the Deferral Request. • Step 3.4- Deleted provision that an extension may not be for more than one year and allowed the Customer the option to pay the Reservation Fee for more than one extension at the same time. • Step 3.6- Added parameters around when a customer may request a deferral for less than one year. • Steps 3.10 thru 3.14.1.3 - Incorporated new steps to describe the timelines by which a Defender has to accept and execute Service Agreement incorporating the deferred information requested.
Version 4	2/14/07, V4 Step 3.5 clarifies that a request to extend the SCD is not permitted when ROFR restrictions do not permit the termination date to be extended as well. Changed the name TBL to BPA Transmission Services in compliance with BPA's new reorganization Initiated a new version strategy to better track revisions. Inserted the word "calendar" before days in steps 3.2 and 4.5.
Version 3	08/16/05 This revision clarifies the general criteria required for a Transmission Customer to request an Extension for Commencement of Service and describes TBL's process for responding to such requests by the competition requirement in Section 17.7 of the Tariff.
Version 2	12/11/2003 This revision adds a requirement that customers must notify TBL of intent to defer service at least 60 days prior to the scheduled start date. This revision supersedes all prior versions of Extension For Commencement Of Service business practice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A qualifying demand reduction request for an Eligible Service Agreement must be equal to or less than the capacity from a POR of a generating resource, including a system resource outside of BPA's Balancing Authority, that a Network Integration (NT) Customer has added to its Service Agreement through a designation of a new Network Resource or that BPA Power Services has added as a new Network Resource to the Network Resources Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

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